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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

1. At about 9 p.m. on 28 July 1952, a troop train of 28 cars, carrying 23 trucks, 1 jeep, 6 light AA guns, 6 field kitchens, and an undetermined number of officers, women and troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia left the Weimar railroad station in an easterly direction. []

At 8 p.m., an undetermined number of trucks and eight busses [] were loaded on another train. At 5 p.m. on 29 July, a troop train, carrying 25 trucks, 3 sedans, 1 tank truck, 1 ambulance, 1 field locomotive and numerous high-ranking officers with many decorations, troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and an undetermined number of women, was seen proceeding toward the east. []

No loading or unloading operations were observed at the railroad stations after 30 July.

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2. At 4:30 p.m. on 2 August, 8 AA guns, probably of 85-mm caliber. 6 AA guns probably of a larger caliber. 25 trucks. []

and about 100 soldiers were unloaded from a troop train at the Eisenach railroad station. The unit departed at about 9:45 p.m. to the training area via Grossen Lupnitz. According to rumors among the population, the Kindel troop training grounds was occupied by 15,000 to 25,000 troops until 6 August. **

3. On 4 August, about 60 trucks were seen coming from the direction of Herzberg (N 52/E 75)-Liebenwerda (N 52/E 93) and proceeding southward. []

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* [redacted] Comment. [redacted]
 [redacted] It is fairly definitely believed that the three
 trains mentioned in paragraph 1 of the present report are identical with the
 trains which were reported by [redacted] as having arrived in Delbrilugk on
 29 and 30 July 1952 for the command-post exercise, and which came from the direction
 of Weimar. [redacted]
 *** Comment. The unloading of a shipment with 22 AA guns on 29 July was reported
 [redacted]
 [redacted]
 [redacted] The train probably carried AAA
 units of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps/units of the 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div which
 returned from Wustrow. This is the fourth [redacted] who has reported AA guns of a new
 type. [redacted] According
 to the other reports, the AA gun had a short barrel of 90-mm to 120-mm caliber
 and may have been an AA rocket launcher.
 *** Comment. According to date, direction of movement [redacted]
 [redacted] probably a unit of the Third Gds Mecz Army, which participated in the
 command-post exercise at Finsterwalde.

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